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DHAHRAN AND KUWAIT FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY

SUBJECT : OIL SITUATION

REFERENCE: STATE 8699

1. WE ARE STILL FLYING IN THE DARK HERE. JALLUD, WHO RE-TURNED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, HAS NOT YET SEEN FIT TO RECEIVE ME AND, ASIDE FROM SUCH CLUES RE LIBYAN POSITION AS ARE INCLUDED IN JOINT LARG-ALGERIAN COMMUNIQUE REPORTED IN ALGIERS 98, THERE HAS BEEN NO DEFINITIVE STATEMENT AT RCC LEVEL OF LARG POSITION RE OIL COMPANIES OFFER.

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3. WE DO NOT BELIEVE MESSAGE ITSELF SHOULD ADDRESS ITSELF TO POLITICAL FACTORS AS IN PARA 3(C). IF UNDER SECRETARY

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VISITS HERE, HE COULD HANDLE THIS ORALLY. IF NOT, I CAN DO SO. THEREFORE SUGGEST FOLLOWING PARA (C) REPLACE PRESENT (C) AND (D).

QUOTE (C)

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END QUOTE.

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6. DANGER OF DEMONSTRATIONS COULD PERHAPS BE LESSENED IF UNDER SECRETARY'S VISIT WERE CONFINED TO AN AIRPORT STOP OF A FEW HOURS DURATION.

7. IN LIGHT OF FOREGOING, I WOULD SUGGEST FOLLOWING SCENARIO:

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A. UNDER SECRETARY PROVIDE SOONEST MESSAGE ALONG LINES PARA 3 ABOVE.

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B. UNDER SECRETARY AUTHORIZE ME TO LET LARG KNOW THAT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO MAKE BRIEF STOP IN TRIPOLI ON ROUTE BACK TO U.S.

C. WITH THESE IN HAND, I WOULD REDOUBLE MY EFFORTS SEE JALLUD.

D. DEPENDING ON JALLUD'S REACTION TO MESSAGE AND GENERAL ATMOSPHERE, I WOULD INDICATE UNDER SECRETARY'S WILLINGNESS STOP IN TRIPOLI. I WOULD EXPLAIN HE IS OVERNIGHTING IN TUNIS AND HIS STAY HERE WOULD NECESSARILY THEREFORE HAVE TO BE BRIEF. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, I WOULD HOPE THAT ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE MADE FOR HIM TO TALK TO JALLUD AND OTHER KEY LARG OFFICIALS AT AIRPORT.

E. SINCE LARG MAY HAVE OTHER REASONS FOR NOT WANTING SUCH PUBLIC IDENTIFICATION WITH UNDER SECRETARY'S TRIP AT PRESENT TIME, I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF I WERE ALSO AUTHORIZED TO OFFER AS AN ALTERNATIVE DAVIES AND AKINS VISIT TRIPOLI QUIETLY FROM TUNIS TO BRIEF LARG ON UNDER SECRETARY'S TRIP AND TO HEAR ANY VIEWS WHICH LARG MAY WISH TO EXPRESS.

8. SINCE WE CANNOT BE SURE THAT JALLUD MAY NOT CALL ME IN AT ANY TIME, I WOULD HOPE FOR REACTIONS TO FORGOING SOONEST. IT WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE BETTER FOR ME TO COVER THESE POINTS AT THAT TIME THAN TO BE FACED WITH POSSIBILITY OF TRYING TO GET IN TO SEE HIM AGAIN IN SHORT TIME FRAME IN WHICH WE HAVE TO WORK. GP-3.
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